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From the Editor

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The Bean Bag (BB) is designed to promote communication among research scientists concerned with legume systematics. To achieve this goal the BB is issued in May and November of each year and features six columns: From the Editor, News (meetings, major events, announcements, etc.), Corrections for last Directory, New Readers, Gleanings, and Recent Legume Literature. Data in the Gleanings column are derived from questionnaire sheets which Readers complete and return. If you have news about legume systematics, send it to us for this column. The Recent Legume Literature column contains published research papers of specific interest to BB Readers. Recent is defined as one year old. We will rarely publish a citation that is more than one year old. Specific interest to BB Readers is defined as research papers of interest to a worldwide group of legume systematic botanists.

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## SECOND INTERNATIONAL LEGUME CONFERENCE

The Conference, entitled Biology of the Leguminosae, will be held on 23-27 June 1986 at the Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, Missouri, USA. The aim of the meeting is to discuss recent advances in our understanding of the biology of legumes, gained from both field and experimental research, and covering both pure and applied points of view. The multidisciplinary approach of this conference is designed to address a wide variety of research interests and to stimulate discussion among specialists. Scheduled topics include: Life history studies; tree architecture; evolution and biology of inflorescences and pollen; floral organogenesis; ecology; ecological biogeography; pollen-stigma-style interactions; structure and function of legume fruits and seeds; mycorrhizal relationships; cyanogenesis; evolution of symbiotic genes; biological implications of genome evolution; ant-domatia, aphid-legume, tick-legume, and bruchid-legume co-evolution; biological changes induced by domestication, computerized data bases and biological research; international legume data bases. For further information write to: Dr. James L. Zarucchi, Legume Conference Coordinator, Missouri Botanical Garden, P. O. Box 299, St. Louis, Missouri 63166, USA.

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## LATHYRUS COLLOQUE

The meeting on Lathyrus will be held at Pau from the 9th to the 12th September 1985. The provisional program is:

Monday : Taxonomy, biosystematics, cytology, molecular genetics.  
Tuesday : Genetics, cultivated species, plant population dynamics.  
Wednesday : Chemical aspects, lathyrism plant insect relations.  
Thursday : Visit of local stations of Lathyrus.

Housing in student hall residence will cost 40 FF per night. The prices for the hotel (room and breakfast, per day and for one person) is single room 171 FF, double room 107 FF. Typed abstract of papers or posters must be sent to the secretary before 1 Feb 85. Conference application forms must be sent before 1 Nov 84. Write to: Mrs. M. Delbos, Secretary Colloque Lathyrus, I.B.E.A.S., Casino Municipal, PARC Beaumont, 64000 PAU, France.

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## OFFER FROM NEW READER

Dr. George A. White, Plant Introduction Office, Germplasm Resources Lab., USDA-ARS, Bldg. 001, Rm. 322, BARC-West, Beltsville, Maryland 20705 USA, has made a generous offer to Bean Bag readers. In exchange for your data about legume germplasm holdings and your legume plant exploration plans, he offers experimental quantities of a broad spectrum of legume seeds for research purposes. He also will help U.S. scientists bring introductions from foreign sources into the United States.



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INTERNATIONAL LEGUME DATABASE  
by Frank Bisby

BISBY has taken a term's sabbatical leave from Southampton University to draw up plans for an International Legume Database that will provide a worldwide information service on the plant diversity of legumes. The majority of the information included will be for legume species, although there also will be information for other ranks such as genera and subspecies. For most species the plant diversity data will include scientific names (and synonyms), brief life-form data, and geographical distribution. Species in some tribes will receive more detailed coverage possibly including morphological descriptions, phytochemical data, ecological tolerances, plant use and agronomic data. The Database will be designed for use by a wide range of users in botany, agriculture, forestry, horticulture, medicine, conservation, archaeology, planning, trade, law, and administration.

Ideas under discussion are 1) that the database be produced by an international co-operative organization of small teams, some of which are already involved in databases for legumes and 2) that extensive use might be made of microcomputers.

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NEW WORLD LEGUMES

The Missouri Botanical Garden is developing a taxonomic/nomenclatural computer database which emphasizes new world taxa of Leguminosae.

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#### GLEANINGS

BASSLER is working on Mimosoideae of Cuba.

BEAUCHAMP reports: "I have assumed the editorship of *Herbertia*, a journal devoted to the Amaryllidaceae and related plant groups. My interest in southern Californian legumes is still intact, but my time has been slightly reallocated."

BOURGEOIS (new Reader) is studying the mimosoids of South America and also *Sesbania* spp. He also is studying nitrogen fixing properties of legumes.

CANE (new Reader) is working on pollination ecologies of native North American and commercial Asian cultivars of *Lespedeza*, with an emphasis on native solitary bees as pollen vectors. He seeks information exchange regarding pollination of this genus or closely related genera.

DELBOS needs *Lathyrus heterophyllus* and offers *L. latifolius*, *sylvestris*, and *tuberosus* from France.

DELGADO-SALINAS will be preparing treatments for Flora Nicaragua of *Lablab*, *Macroptilium*, *Oxyrrhynchus*, *Phaseolus*, and *Vigna* and for Flora Mesoamericana treatments of *Macroptilium*, *Phaseolus*, and *Vigna*. Will complete revision of *Phaseolus* early 1985 and will annotate *Phaseolus*, New World *Vigna* and *Macroptilium*.

DOYLE (new Reader) continues his "molecular taxonomic" studies of *Glycine* and relatives. He needs viable seeds of *Sinodolichos*, *Nogra*, *Pseudeminia*, *Pseudovigna*, and *Eminia*.

FAROQUI (new Reader) needs seeds of *Rhynchosia*, *Adenantha*, and *Podalyria*.

FORTUNATO has begun work on *Mimosa* of South America.

GEESINK. See VIDAL.

GIBBS. See MONTEIRO.

GUNN has hired botanical artist Karen Parker to complete the plates for the caesalpinoid fruit-seed study, the second in a three volume series. The first volume, Technical Bulletin 1681, treating fruit and seeds of the Mimosoideae should be available for distribution during late fall, 1984. Plans to study seed morphology of taxa in tribes Coronilleae, Hedysareae, and Loteae. See also LERSTEN.

HANELT reports that the Gatersleben Institute conducted plant exploration in South Italy and the Georgian SSR for grain legume species (*Vicia faba*, *Phaseolus* spp., *Pisum sativum*, *Lathyrus sativus*, etc). He offers seeds from the Index Seminum of the Gatersleben Institute, and needs seeds of the dubious species *Vicia pliniana* (Taub.) Murat. described from Algeria.



HERINGER and J. E. Paula are working on *Caesalpinia ferrea* from State of Rio de Janeiro and from Atlantic Forest in State of Pernambuco. They suspect that the species manifests a different wood anatomy and different leaf structures in each State.

HERNANDEZ is collecting and conducting field observations of *Calliandra* spp. in Mexico, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, during summer of 1984. He needs viable seeds of any species of *Calliandra*, and will identify *Calliandra* collections from Mexico and Central America.

HALE has begun a study of the effect of white clover mosaic virus on nodulation and nitrogen fixation in *T. repens* and the effect of halo blight on nodulation and nitrogen fixation in *Phaseolus vulgaris*.

HIDALGO (new Reader) is studying hybridization in *Phaseolus*. Need references to specific sites and/or seeds of primitive landraces and wild populations of *Phaseolus* spp. in South America. Offers *Phaseolus* germplasm.

HUGHES is collecting germplasm of *Gliricidia sepium* through natural range in Tropical America. Offers seeds of various Central American tree legumes of economic importance.

IYER (new Reader) is interested in interaction between bacteria and legumes.

JANZEN is studying the overall biology of *Ateleia herbert-smithii* in Santa Rosa National Park, Costa Rica. Desperate for contact with people who have personal familiarity with this tree in other parts of its range. Offers legume seeds from lowland Costa Rica.

KARATELA needs literature on stomatogenesis.

KEIGHERY has prepared a manuscript on breeding systems of western Australian papilionoid legumes. He has data on self fertility of western Australian *Acacia* species.

KOEPPEN. See ZARRUCCHI.

KRETSCHMER is conducting an agronomic evaluation of about 150 accessions of *Macroptilium atropurpureum*, mostly from Mexico. Cultivated specimens are deposited at (MO). Cultivated seeds are available.

LASSEIGNE collected *Caesalpinioideae* of Veracruz, Mexico during August 1984 and is writing text for *Caesalpinia*, *Cassia*, *Chamaecrista*, *Cynometra*, *Delonix*, *Dialium*, *Haematoxylum*, *Hymenaea*, *Parkinsonia*, *Schizolobium*, and *Tamarindus*. WUNDERLIN is contributing *Bauhinia*. Both will annotate appropriate herbarium material from Veracruz.

LAVIN is working on systematics of *Coursetia* and allied genera. He needs seeds and is willing to identify specimens.

LERSTEN and GUNN are studying the structure and distribution of the lens on the testa of taxa in the *Mimosoideae* and *Caesalpinioideae*. See also GUNN.



LIBRARIAN Wesley Wong, Economic Botany Library, Harvard University Herbarium, Divinity Ave., Cambridge, MA 02138 USA, needs abstracts on field beans #2 (1977), #6 (1981) and Tropical Grain Legume Bulletin #26. Offers many back numbers of Tropical Grain Legume Bulletin, except No. 26.

MBENKUM (new Reader) is studying *Milletia* from Lower Guinea (southern Nigeria, Cameroon, Gabon). Needs pollen, seeds, fruits, herbarium specimens.

MILLER needs vouchered wood specimens and offers tropical and temperate wood specimens.

MISSET (new Reader) is studying biosystematics of *Ulex* of Brittany, especially, pollen, caryology, and isozymes. Has completed with Gourret article in press in Jour. Cell Sci. on smooth cisternae in tapetal cells of *U. europaeus*.

MONTEIRO has started a phytogeographical study of woody legume species in the Brazilian cerrados with GIBBS. Needs seeds of South American *Lupinus* spp. and offers *Sesbania punicea* and *S. virgata* from Brazil.

MOTT continues his projects on *Leucaena*, *Trifolium*, and *Neonotonia*.

NEILL will complete Ph.D. dissertation at Washington University, December 1984: "Biosystematics and Reproductive Biology of *Erythrina* (Leguminosae: Papilionoideae)." In 1985, as a post-doc at MO, will expand *Erythrina* research and field work to South America. Needs *Erythrina* seeds from South America, Africa, and Asia and offers *Erythrina* seeds from Mesoamerica.

NERO (new address) offers wing beans gathered from Kerala State, South India, April, 1984.

RODRIGUEZ PEREZ presented a paper on the white and yellow tepary bean at the New International Conference on Economic Plants for Arid Lands, 23-27 July 1984. Duarte Minguez and RODRIGUEZ PEREZ have finished a study about the effect of water salinity on *Phaseolus acutifolius*, tepary bean. Offers seeds of *Cassia sturtii* and *Phaseolus acutifolius* var. *latifolius*. Needs seeds of *Prosopis tamarugo*, *P. chilensis* and *P. alba*.

RUIZDIAZ (new Reader) is studying *Prosopis* of Argentina.

SCHRODER needs seeds of all species of *Leucaena* and offers *Delonix regia*, *Cajanus cajan*, *Macroptilium atropurpureum*.

SPRENT with others has a paper in press in New Phytologist on "New modulating legume trees from SE Brazil."

STRITCH wants to know which herbaria houses material labeled *Wisteria koreana* Uyeki.

THRO (new Reader) has begun a project on germplasm collection and evaluation of genetic variation between populations of native legumes of the Louisiana area, esp. *Stylosanthes*, *Desmodium*, and *Centrosema*.



VIDAL is working on the Revision of Papilionoideae for Flore du Cambodge, Laos, Viet Nam. All tribes (except Phaseoleae already published) by several authors: Nguyen Van Thuan, P. Dy Phon, C. Niyomdham, GEESINK, H. Ohashi.

WUNDERLIN. See LASSEIGNE.

YAKOVLEV is studying taxonomy and phytochemistry of the Russian species of *Cytisus*.

ZARRUCCHI (with KOEPPEN) is studying neotropical *Dialium* and *Apuleia*. Zarrucchi has initiated a study of *Poecilanthe* and collected legumes in southern Venezuela near the Cerro de la Neblina.

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